INTRODUCTION

Every man who saw service with the American Expeditionary Forces helped in a special way to make the history of the World War. Each of these men, regardless of the nature of his service, has a peculiar interest in the history of the war in which he served. But the pages of glory in this history, so far as any man of the service himself is concerned, are those pages that record the story of his own outfit. Those are the pages in the drama of the World War that will always challenge his attention and grip his interest. All the facts in the history of his own outfit may be well known to him; yet he wants these facts recorded in a form which can be easily preserved. In the years to come the history of his own organization will be to him the most priceless of all war souvenirs. It will be a precious memoir of his war days—a record of his own life and his soul-stirring experiences during the most momentous days through which he ever passed. This book contains such a record of the 321st Infantry, and was written upon the request of many comrades.